

REMARKS

Claims 1-4 and 15-17 are pending. Claims 1-4 and 15-17 have been allowed except for the following informalities with regard to claims 15 and 16. The Office Action alleges that the application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters concerning claims 15 and 16. These two claims are addressed separately below.

Regarding claim 15, the Office Action alleges that an issues regarding proper antecedent basis is presented on lines 2, 6, 10 and 13 of the claim. In response, applicants have amended claim 15 to correct for these antecedent basis problems. Applicants respectfully submit that no new matter has been added by the amendments.

Regarding claim 16, the Office Action alleges that the recitation of “makes map data available” should be corrected to recite “makes old version map data available.” Applicants note that nowhere within claim 15, from which claim 16 depends, does it recite an “old version map data.” In claim 15, the old version map data is referred to as simply “map data.” The updated map data is referred to as the “latest version map data.” Therefore the claim language distinguishes between the old version and the updated version by the terms “map data” and “latest version map data.” Thus, the recitation of “makes map data available” in claim 16 is appropriate in view of the language recited in its independent claim 15.


In view of the above, applicants respectfully submit that all formal matters have been appropriately addressed and that the application is now in condition for allowance. Prompt allowance of the application is earnestly solicited.

Conclusion

Should there be any outstanding matters that need to be resolved in the present application, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact Chad J. Billings (Reg. No. 48,917) at the telephone number of the undersigned below, to conduct an interview in an effort to expedite prosecution in connection with the present application.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 or 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

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